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ORGANOCLAYS

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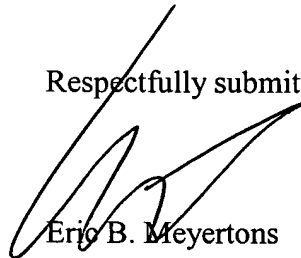
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	A4	0 787 767	Aug-97	EP			
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	A8	07-207134	Aug-95	JP			Abstract only
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	A10	08-012881	Jan-96	JP			Abstract only
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	A32	WO 97/30950	Aug-97	WO			
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	B6	Wang et al., "Clay-Polymer Nanocomposites formed from Acidic Derivatives of Montmorillonite and an Epoxy Resin" <i>Chemistry of Materials</i> , 1994 , 6, pp.468-474.					
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